

XVI International AIDS Conference

Youth Advisory Committee Meeting

January 24, 2006



Start Time: 7:00pm EST

End Time: 9:45pm EST

Participants:

Sarah Stumbar

Nicole Downer

Ryan Tucker

Alischa Ross

Henry H. Luyombya

Justin L. Hill

Alex McClelland

Regrets: Piyoo Kochar

Conference Overview

Alex gave a brief overview of the Conference structure using the two organizational charts provided in the committee email as attachments.

See January 23rd minutes for details

Age Limits

See January 23rd minutes

Alex should know from the Local Host lawyer by February what needs to put in place to ensure the lower age definition is finalized.

Update on Youth Activities Planning

(Refer to Concept Paper pg 6)

Toronto Youth Force

The Toronto Youth Force (TYF) is a global coalition of youth NGO's, student groups, networks and individuals who will be a collective voice of young people at the Conference. The Youth Force started at the Barcelona Conference and was also seen as a successful addition to the Bangkok Conference. Goals of the Youth Force are to:

- Promote and facilitate meaningful youth involvement
 - Be the collective voice for the youth at the conference
 - Advocate at the Conference for youth issues internationally and locally
- Connect youth with each other around the world

The committee will be working with the Youth Force, but exactly how is yet to be determined. There is a meeting on January 25th and 26th in Toronto to begin the planning of Youth Force activities and to engage youth run and or focused NGO's to get involved. Alex invited Toronto based Committee members to the meeting.

Alischa and Sarah both had experience with the Youth Force when they attended Bangkok. Seen as quite political and protest oriented and not much engagement from young science community.

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The Youth Force is organizing a Pre-Conference Aug 9-12 for 3 days just before the Conference. **See January 23rd minutes.**

Proposed Youth Website
See January 23rd minutes

Youth Pavilion
See January 23rd minutes
To apply to show in the Youth Pavilion use the Global Village Application Form, available on www.aids2006.org deadline for submissions March 15th 2006.

Youth Cultural Activities
See January 23rd minutes

Proposals to the Youth Programme
Alex reviewed some of the proposals so far in order to give the Committee an idea of types of projects we will be reviewing and working with. **See January 23rd minutes for others**

MTV international wants to do a 48 hours Film Fest
10 teams of youth trained in production for making a movie, followed by MTV crew while filming movie. Have 48 hours and will be helped by the MTV with the editing process. Last of conference videos would be seen with celebrities as judges

- Concerns that MTV can be big on pushing their own agenda and may need to be worked with in order to ensure they are sensitive to youth delegates, especially those from developing countries

Alex discussed a project called Picture Change (www.picturechange.ca)

- Photos of different kinds of images all over the world. The purpose was to increase AIDS/HIV awareness across Canada
- They also give talks within the community and schools
- Proposal to showcase photos within Youth Pavilion

Budget
See January 23rd minutes

Taskforces
Taskforces will be formed to move ahead with the work of the Committee. Alex will work with the Toronto Youth Force to ensure that we are not duplicating work. Taskforces could include others who are not on the main Youth Advisory Committee. They could be:

Main Conference

- Ensuring youth involvement in as many sessions as possible
- Youth presenter support
- Youth Road map

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- Assisting with youth sessions

Website/Communications

- Content development
- Working with TYF
- Youth Bulletin

Youth Pavilion

- Criteria
- Selection
- Programming

Advocacy/Mentorship

- Preparing youth delegates
- Orientation
- Advocacy and prep sessions

Email is going to be generated soon around who would be interested in what task forces. Each taskforce will have a workplan and timeline for activities. Taskforce work will be done by teleconference and mainly via email.

Henry asked what we will be doing to ensure information from the Conference is made available to young people who couldn't attend and did not have internet access.

- How to report back sessions for young delegates to help them in preparing to report and distribute information when they get back home. Could happen in Youth Pavilion and part of orientation and mentorship.

Committee Membership

Currently have 22 members, see attached committee list. Members are to forward bio to Alex if not done already, or if the one included in the list is inaccurate.

See January 23rd minutes for more details

Due to the Committee having international membership there will be 2 teleconference meetings to deal with the time change, one in the afternoon, and one in the evening Toronto time.

Next teleconference meetings

Tuesday February 21st

7:00PM North American Eastern Standard Time

Tuesday March 21st

7:00PM North American Eastern Standard Time

Tuesday April 18th

7:00PM North American Eastern Standard Time